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Applicants: Franco Vallana et al. Attorney Docket: SBC1025USC1  
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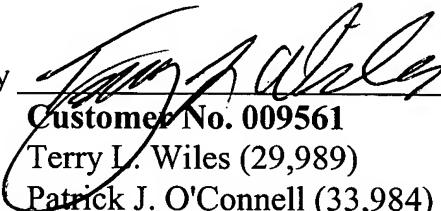
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